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REVIEW OF FEBRUARY "LIT" SHOWS IT TO POSSESS MANY EXCELLENCIES

"Las Mariposas," the Best Prose Composition.
Historical Sketches Well Written

The William and Mary Literary Magazine for February offers a pleasing variety of material to its readers; material for very comfortable reading. "Las Mariposas"—one wonders, by the way, why the name was chosen—is the best written prose of the month, with a flavor of the dreamy tropics giving character to the clear, pure English of it. There is color and imagination, yet withal a touch of real heart-interest; though the manner and spirit of the story is simple and direct. The very quietness of the tale gives it a peculiar strength.

"Zehma" and "The Masquerade Ball" are the other stories of this number: and all of the three stories are so different in theme, method, style, and spirit that each is read with more pleasure because of the others.

Four short sketches of "Antiquities of Williamsburg" serve as interesting variations from the more usual type of college magazine papers. They differ greatly in excellence of composition; the best of them meriting considerable praise. The author of "Old Bruton Parish Church," especially, has done an artistic bit of work.

The verse is graceful and well-turned. If no one of the five poems pricks itself into the memory, neither does any strike an unpleasing chord: they represent the fair average of magazine verse.

One stricture must be made. Nothing can excuse the editors' taste for including the "Constitution of the Southern College Press Association" among the contributed articles of a magazine published under title, adjective "Literary." If these articles must find a place somewhere in the "Lit's" pages then let them, for pity's sake, come after even the editors have had their say. They might be placed, with the manager's announcements, before the contents; but the present position is in violence to that sacred law which guards the "eternal fitness of things."

The general impression left upon the reader of this issue, is good, with contributors capable of such work the editors can continue to produce a creditable periodical: taste and good critical judgment carefully exercised will provide these writers a setting worthy of their work.

WILLIAM AND MARY TIES RANDOLH-MACON FOR CUP

Two Hard Fought Games With Randolph-Macon and Hampden-Sidney

The William and Mary quint after winning seven straight games lost to Randolph-Macon by the score of 33-23. Both teams realizing that the championship of the Eastern Intercollegiate Association depended upon the result of this game, went into the fight with determination. The game was characterized throughout by rough playing, the referee failing entirely to keep the players in check.

The game opened with several minutes of fast playing and no score until Capt. Metcalf tossed a foul in. Soon Randolph-Macon jumped into the lead and kept it throughout the game. At the end of the first half the score stood 17 to 10 in R.-M.'s favor. At the beginning of the second half William and Mary scored two goals in rapid succession and then "Kid" Sheffey got busy and tossed in a couple for R.-M. The rest of the game went off, marred by much rough playing on both sides with the final score of 33-23. The gymnasium was miserably lighted which made passing and shooting inaccurate.

For Randolph-Macon, Sheffey was the particular star, shooting goals from all angles and registering 18 points. Walker, who was not in the former game on account of a bad knee, strengthened the team and showed flashes of form. For William and Mary none showed up to particular advantage. Jones, Turner and Capt. Metcalf showing up best. Several William and Mary supporters went up with the team and made their influence heard rather than felt.

The line-up:

W. & M.	R.-M.
Metcalf, Will.....r f	Millican
Jones.....l. f	Sheffey
Capt. Metcalf.....c	Brown
Hubbard.....r. g	Walker
Turner.....r. g	Woodhouse

Summary—Goals for R.-M: Sheffey 9, Brown 2, Walker 3. Goals for W. & M.—Capt. Metcalf 4, Jones 2, Turner 2, W. Metcalf 1. Fouls—Metcalf 5, Millican 4, Walker 1.

Referee—Bane.

Umpire—Goodwin.

Timers—Tilley and White.

Scorers—James and Saunders.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY—WILLIAM & MARY

On Saturday the team went to Hampden-Sidney and won their last scheduled game of the season, making it eight victories out of nine games. The gymnasium had six large posts scattered around in it, making passing an impossibility and dribbling a feat of considerable danger.

H.-S. drew first blood, scoring a goal in the first few seconds of play but Capt. Metcalf broke up their hopes by shooting two beautiful goals. A number of fouls were called and considerable rough work was done by both teams. The first half ended with the score 23 to 8 in favor of the visitors.

During the second half H.-S. braced up and scored goals but could not keep up with the whirlwind playing of the William and Mary forwards.

A large crowd was present and several times the game had to be stopped and the ball recovered from among the students or the normal school girls who lined the walls.

For H.-S., Cork and McClung played the best game while for William and Mary the whole team showed up in fine form Capt. Metcalf, Jones and Hubbard having the most goals to their credit.

The line-up:

W. and M.	H.-S.
Will Metcalf.....r. f	Tate
(Zehmer)	
Jones.....l. f	Sloane
(Wright)	
Capt. Metcalf.....c	McClung
Hubbard.....r. g	Cork
Turner.....l. g	Rixey
	(Pendleton)

Summary—Goals for H.-S.: McClung 2, Cork 2, Tate 1. For W. and M.: Capt. Metcalf 5, Jones 3, Hubbard 3, W. Metcalf 2, Turner 2. Fouls: Metcalf 9, McClung 6.

Referee—Smith.

Umpire—Wright.

Timer—Brown.

Scorer—Jones.

Registrar H. L. Bridges is in Washington attending the inauguration of President Wilson.

WHO'S WHO AND WHY AT THE VENERABLE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY

Something of the Great and Super-Great in These Parts. John Lewis Tucker

A lover distinguished, a student extinguished; a business man famous, an athlete infamous we introduce. In the summer he lives in Virginia but gets his Williamsburg mail at Merry Mount, N. C., and in the fall he wanders back to "ye ancient town"—no one knows why—and merrily mounts to the distinction above mentioned.

THE LOVER

John Lewis does not claim kin to "Old Dan," neither is he ever late for supper. (Take care lest you draw fallacious conclusions.) Still 'tis not a god but a goddess at whose altar he worships. In order to make himself an acceptable sacrifice he wears his hair on the end (How cute!) and has a perfect mania for fancy neckwear and hosiery.

STUDENT

In order to feel identified with William and Mary College, John Lewis usually matriculates. Then he evolves the doctrine that studying is detrimental to his highly emotional and artistic nature. Accordingly to avoid such conflict of the poetic and the prosaic he carefully avoids all appearance of a student to the extent that he refuses to make classes.

BUSINESS MAN

After mid-year "exams" John Lewis is accustomed to attempt a reform. He has himself elected business managers of "Colonial Echo" and "Magazine." To further break the monotony he visits the Philomathean. Here he succeeds in having himself honored to the extent of being chosen final debater. The rest of the term is spent in mortal agony at the fear that he may not be a failure after all, a thing that would disprove his artistic and poetic self.

ATHLETE

Well, he played on a dormitory team five years ago and next year he will be "biscuit" manager of the Varsity team. Between these two events all has been null and void. Judge for yourselves.

For all that there are not a few who see in John Lewis, an earnest and disinterested worker, a jolly good friend and a true and loyal supporter of all that stands for the good of the whole college.

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THE ABSOLUTE NECESSITY FOR AN ATHLETIC FEE

Have you stopped to consider, you, Mr. Student, Mr. Faculty member, or Mr. member of the Board of Visitors, that money is as necessary to an Athletic Association as water is to a fish? Have you grasped the self-evident truth that more than the mere expenses of the visiting teams must be forthcoming if your athletic teams are to be uniformed in presentable garb? Are you a progressive, using the insurgent term in the sense of one desiring safe and sane coordinating progress, or are you a conservative of the type that believes in the absolute immutability of all things?

Why is it that this college does not require the payment of an athletic fee? Among the fees listed in the last catalogue issued, appears the term "athletic fee," but this is a misnomer, as the money derived therefrom, according to official information, is applied to the salary of the physical director. What we mean by an athletic fee is a sum of money, ranging from five to ten dollars in amount, that every student shall pay along with his tuition and other expenses, at the opening of the fall term. This fee would be turned over to the Athletic Association, and would entitle the student to free attendance upon all athletic contests at home, and a membership in the association. It should be exacted from both the "state" student and the regular student alike, as it would not be a mark of privilege but a sum of money paid to secure privileges.

It is not only unfitting to term the present fee an athletic tax, and to require it from only a certain percentage of the student-body, but it is actually misleading, and also very discouraging to those who have been endeavoring for the past five years to secure an intelligent financial basis for the operation of the various athletic activities. Since the organization of the Academy the appropriation for College athletics has been cut considerably. The reason for this cut is not apparent. It is hard to conceive of any argument that would, since by the separation of college from its sub-collegiate department the expenses of visiting teams, and of the local teams' equipment, have been reduced. It is of equal wonder to the neophyte to understand since this is a state institution and all state institutions are supposed to have an appropriation sufficient to cover the expenses of the very necessary physical director, why the existing athletic fee should not be turned over to the coffers of the Athletic Association.

With such a fee, not only would the baseball, basketball, track and football managers be able to arrange their schedules with a feeling of certainty, but their respective teams would be better equipped. Uniforms do not make the player, but they are a most powerful advertisement. The attendance also would be increased, since every student, having paid in advance the amount charged for admission, would most not surely attend.

This is a matter that concerns the welfare of athletics at William and Mary, and as such it calls for action by the athletic committee. Talk, said some wise soul, is cheap. Any college student will subscribe to that opinion. Action comes higher, but like most things of the more expensive variety, it is more lasting. The time for sane progress is not in the near future. It has arrived. Clean sport is not a side issue of college life. It occupies the greater part of the student's spare time, and offers to not alone the college student, but to the mechanic and the professor as well, a plan of physical salvation. Mens sana in corpore sano. Every effort should be made to place such a recognized factor upon a sound footing. The athletic fee has solved this problem for many colleges; why do the faculty and the board of visitors discourage and avoid the issue?

ON TO RICHMOND

Arrangements are being made to play the tie for the championship of the Eastern Intercollegiate Association in Richmond during the latter part of the week. An attempt is being made to schedule the game at 3:30 on Friday evening so students may go up at one o'clock and come back at five. Make arrangements to go up with the team. They need and deserve your support.

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SPOTSWOOD CLUB RECEIVES INVITATION

The Spotswood Club, William and Mary's literary club, has received an invitation from the Osiris Chapter of Sigma Upsilon, the literary club of Randolph-Macon, to join in a prose-fiction contest which is to be held sometime in April by the general order of Sigma Upsilon.

Sigma Upsilon is a national literary fraternity holding chapters in many colleges throughout the south especially.

LECTURES BY PROF. SHANNON

Prof. Shannon, author of several books on sex hygiene, gave a series of very instructive lectures to the student-body last week. The Y. M. C. A. cabinet is to be congratulated for securing such a valuable and entertaining speaker.

CONCERT SATURDAY NIGHT

The William and Mary Glee and Mandolin Club will present on Saturday night in the College Chapel, a programme of musical numbers that are of a high order, and will please every one. The members of the club have worked faithfully for quite a while and deserve the success that we feel will be theirs in this the first concert in a number of years.

The admission is thirty-five cents. There will be no reserved seats. Begins promptly at eight o'clock and lasts for—Don't miss this excellent entertainment.

A SUGGESTION

We commented last week in our editorial columns on senior privileges, emphasizing in particular earlier examinations for members of the Senior Class. A better means of securing the desired end has been suggested to us. A method which perhaps would be equally applicable to all the classes in the College.

The plan suggested is that all members of the Senior Class who make an average of eighty-three per cent. on their daily work for the session be excused from taking the final examination. In our opinion, the plan could hardly be improved upon under the existing conditions, in as much as there is given a monthly test or examination in each subject. With an arrangement of this kind it seems hardly necessary to have a fourth-year man take an examination on a subject, in which he has an average over eighty three.

This plan would not only bring about a better grade of work, but would also alleviate the task of the professor in giving extra examinations, which would necessarily be the case in classes composed of members of the different classes.

The Spotswood Club will meet tomorrow (Wednesday night) with Mr. L. F. Games at the Sigma Phi Epsilon House.

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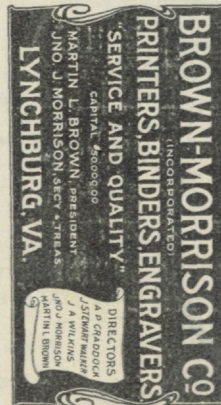
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IN AND OUT OF COLLEGE TOPICS

Dr. T. J. Stubbs is out again af-
ter a short illness.

Mr. Carl Bare, state student sec-
retary of the Y. M. C. A., was here
Thursday, on business.

The two literary societies of the
Williamsburg High School held a
very interesting public meeting in
the high school building last Tues-
day night.

Dr. and Mrs. James S. Wilson left
Saturday for Washington to be pres-
ent at the inauguration.

Messrs. R. C. Warburton and G.
C. Outland will go to Randolph-
Macon Friday morning to represent
William and Mary in the triangular
debate.

Mr. W. R. Dameron has been ab-
sent from college for the past few
days visiting his brother at Bel Air,
Maryland.

Messrs. F. D. Goodwin, T. C.
Tilley, Ed. Addison, W. R. Dame-
ron and A. W. James accompanied
the basketball team to Ashland Fri-
day night.

It is hoped that every student will
avail himself of the opportunity to
hear Dr. Hamilton Holt tonight, in
the chapel. Dr. Holt is one of the
most distinguished journalists in
America, and his lecture will cer-
tainly be a great treat.

Mr. D. Leigh Calvin, president of
the Intercollegiate Prohibition Asso-
ciation, delivered an address in the
chapel Sunday afternoon at 2:30,
and organized a local prohibition
league. Mr. Calvin has made a
special study of the liquor problem
and is recognized as a standard au-
thority on the subject.

Messrs. H. L. Harris and C. W.
Holler are attending the inaugura-
tion.

Dr. J. W. Ritchie spent Saturday
in Newport News.

Mr. Max Blitzer, business mana-
ger of The Flat Hat, is spending
the week in New York.

At the regular meeting of the
Philomathean Literary Society Sat-
urday night the following officers
were elected: President, E. E. Giv-
ens; vice-president, G. C. Outland;
recording secretary, W. S. Rosen-
baum; corresponding secretary, S.
T. Davis; literary critic, H. R. Ham-
ilton; parliamentary critic, C. Jen-
nings; censor, W. D. Harris; chap-
lain, H. L. Womack; executive com-
mittee, R. C. Warburton and E. R.
James. Also a number of vacancies
occurring in the final programme
were filled. The men chosen are:
J. D. Hoffines, debater; T. E. Wil-
kinson, chief marshal; and P. Lewis
Witchley, orator. H. A. Turner
was selected as debater for the Cam-
eron Hall contest.

The Fortnightly Club is in receipt
of an invitation from the Odd Mem-
ber's Club of Sigma Upsilon, the
literary club of the University of
North Carolina, to join in a prose-
fiction contest which is to be held
this spring by the general order of
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